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GOVERNMENT OF ODISHA

HIGHER EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

RESOLUTION

The 6th February 2013

Merit Scholarship for general students pursuing higher studies in +2, +3 & P. G. courses was solely managed by the Director of Higher Education, Odisha since its inception. The Department of Higher Education was providing funds through budgetary allocations for these scholarships only.

For better management of scholarship and introduction of Online system for submission of application and selection thereof by electronic procedure, Government have withdrawn the power of advertisement, selection and sanction of those scholarships from the Director of Higher Education during the year 2010-2011. The DHE has only given the responsibility for billing and disbursement of those scholarships through Bank at his level.

To manage these general scholarships in a more effective manner, certain suggested modifications was under active consideration of the Government for some time past.

After careful consideration, Government have been pleased to consider for centralization of the whole scholarship process right from submission of application for scholarship to selection and disbursement in the Higher Education Department from the financial year 2012-2013.

The Drawing & Disbursing Officer, Higher Education Department shall be authorized to draw and disburse these general scholarships to the beneficiary students savings bank accounts through Electronic Credit System (ECS) directly. The funds provisions of these scholarships made in the Non-plan budget shall be administered in the Higher Education Department.

The Director of Higher Education, Odisha shall be responsible for reconciliation of these scholarships accounts relating to back periods up to the end of the financial year 2011-2012.

ORDER— Ordered that the Resolution be published in an extraordinary issue of the *Odisha Gazette* for general information and copy thereof be forwarded to all concerned.

By order of the Governor

G. K. DHAL

Principal Secretary to Government